

## **Lt. Governor John Garamendi's Statement Commemorating the United States Coast Guard**

SACRAMENTO - Lieutenant Governor John Garamendi issued the following statement commemorating the US Coast Guard on its 218<sup>th</sup> birthday:

“I am proud to take this opportunity to honor the anniversary of our nation’s oldest continuous seagoing service, the United States Coast Guard. Founded on August 4, 1790, today the men and women of our Coast Guard are there for California, and our nation, providing vital support in homeland security, law enforcement, search and rescue, and marine environmental pollution response.

“The Coast Guard's motto is *Semper Paratus*, meaning ‘Always Ready’, and it has always lived up to that clarion call whenever needed. I am delighted to wish the men and women of our Coast Guard, and their families, a hearty, ‘Happy Birthday.’”

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